

State Water Resources Control Board

July 1, 2021 is the deadline for filing a Statement of Water Diversion and Use for calendar year 2020.

If you divert and use water from a surface water source (such as Delta channels), California law requires you to report your annual diversion and use to the State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Water Rights.

Such a report, actual diversion and use during calendar 2020, must be filed for every Permit, License or Statement (riparian and pre-1914 claims).

Potential Fines for Delinquent Reports

Fines for failure to file an annual Statement of Water Diversion and Use may be administratively imposed at the rate of \$1,000 plus an additional \$500 per day for each day of delinquency beginning 30 days following notice of failure to file. [WC §5107.]

The Delta Watermaster is responsible for enforcing the requirement for timely filing annual reports of diversion from and use of water within the Legal Delta and Suisun Marsh. [Water Code §85230(b).]

How to File

To file an annual report of diversion and use, access the online electronic Water Rights Report Management System at the following link: http://rms.waterboards.ca.gov. In order to complete the required report, you will need the discrete password assigned to the individual permit, license or statement.

For assistance with reporting online, see the Report Management System (RMS) training videos at the following link: www.waterboards.ca.gov/videos/rms.html.

For more information about annual water use reporting, access the Division's webpage at the following link:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/waterrights/water_issues/programs/diversion_use/water_use.html

If you have questions about reporting on water use within the Delta, please contact your water attorney, your local Delta Water Agency or:

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